

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU & ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat, March 31, 8:30 p.m. († Everett & Eileen Lahr)	St. Mark's
Sun, April 1, 9 a.m. (Marie Klokstad)	St. Andrew's
Easter Sun, April 1, 11:00 a.m. († Parishioners)	St. Mark's
Tue, April 3, 12:00 p.m. († Tom & Priscilla Fischer)	St. Mark's
Wed, April 4, 7:30 a.m. († Trevor & Viola Beyer)	St. Mark's
Thur, April 5, 9 a.m. († Shawna Deschamp)	St. Andrew's
Fri, April 6, 8:00 a.m. († Joseph Houle)	St. Mark's
Sat April 7, 5:30 p.m. († Delmar Haberman)	St. Mark's
Sun, April 8, 9 a.m. († Lloyd & Elsie Pease)	St. Andrew's
Sun, April 8, 11:00 a.m. († Parishioners)	St. Mark's

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Andrew's
St. Mark's
April 2, 3, & 4: Time and Talent Ministries and others invited to Church and Parish Hall Spring Cleaning 9:00 a.m.

April 4: K-6 No class, Youth Bible Study 7:00 – 8:00

April 5: Altar Society Meeting 5:30 p.m.

April 6: First Friday Adoration until 12 p.m.

April 7: 1:00 decorating for Spring Festival (Parish Hall)

April 8: K-6th Spring Festival: noon – 2:00 Lunch & Fun Games. Looking for volunteers.



SPRING FESTIVAL for Religious Ed kids on Sunday, April 8 after Mass. Lunch, games, and activities! Come and enjoy!

On April 2-3-4, anyone who would like to take part in spring cleaning the church, social hall, and kitchen are welcome to come and help. We will have a list of duties to be done and lunch will be served each day.



The Rummage Sale is scheduled for June 8th & 9th. You may start bringing rummage items after May 1st.



Home Communion

Any St. Mark parishioners desiring Holy Communion at home, call Claudia Trebas (228-2339) by Monday evening to be put on the list. To add or remove a name, please contact Deb Wyman at 245-6538 or the parish office.



PrayerLine PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS: MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILIES:

Clay Gunderson, Margaret Sebelius, Sylvia Frazer, Harvey Soland, Jodee Blaze, Todd Pigeon, Duane Indridson, Carol Carbonneau, Ann O'Connell, David Schultz, Jerry Volk, Cindy Haman, Charles Carbonneau, Janet Kraft, Noah Signalness, Joe Schmaltz, Kenny Cote, Frank King Family, Paul Amsbaugh, Erika Hamilton, Crystal Grenier, Sandy Hanretty, Russ Picard, Gary Wall Family, and any special private intentions.

St. Andrew's Health Center: Marion Honer, Barney Honer

Good Sam: Regan Benning, Maria Barballa, Pete Anderson, Ronnie Houle, Ernie Houle, Jane Kuntz.

Edgewood Vista: Eileen Lahr

The Wellington: Ray and Donna Sharkey

Rosary @ St Mark's: 5 pm, Sat; 10:30 am, Sundays.



Stewardship Moment: "Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." - Colossians 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

MASS INTENTION REQUEST

A Mass intention is requested for :

From _____

Suggested offering \$10.00 per Mass intention.

Report for Mar 24-25, 2018



<u>St. Andrew's:</u>		<u>St Mark's</u>	
Adult env.	\$ 873.00	Adult env.	\$ 1477.00
Plate	\$ 67.00	Plate	\$ 110.00
Children	\$ 16.00	Children	\$ 22.00

Building Improvement Fund: \$ 71.00



PARISH STAFF

Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor
Vickie Gangl, Secretary
Cathy Miller, Custodian
Patty Graber, Custodian

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Valerie Heth, DRE
St. Andrew's Parish
Kathy McGhan, DRE
St. Mark's Parish

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm, Bottineau
Sunday 9:00 am, Westhope
And 11:00 am, Bottineau

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:30 pm, Bottineau
Sunday, 8:30 am, Westhope
Or by Appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.-Fri. 8:30am-5:00pm

March 31– April 1, Easter Sunday

From the Pastor's Pen



EASTER FAITH. Mary Magdalene runs to the Apostles to tell them her astonishing news—the tomb is empty!! Some people get emotional on seeing the Grand Canyon or Niagara Falls. How many of us marvel at the northern lights? There are visions that awaken our whole being with the thrill of wonder. What leaves you awestruck?

What is it about Madeleine's experience that we might hope to share in?

Let's take a look. It starts with the stone. We think of tombstones as markers on top of graves. In Jesus' case, it's the stone rolled in front of the entrance to the hollowed out space in the rock where his body was laid. St. Mark is the only evangelist to take note of the size of this stone, "It was very large" (Mk 16:4).

Why was this stone rolled away? Not so Jesus could escape. We find out later he can enter rooms where the doors are closed and locked. This stone must've been rolled away so others could peek in.

To proclaim that *Christ is Risen!* means at some point the tomb has to be verified as empty. The empty tomb doesn't 'prove' much, certainly not the Resurrection of Jesus, but it's the starting point of this new chapter. The One who now lives can't be in the tomb still. So, the stone is rolled away so you can see for yourself, "He is not here, but has risen—just as he said!" (Mt 28:6).

So much for the initial facts, the tomb is verifiably empty—important for our sake, not Christ's.

So how 'bout that stone. Make Easter personal. What's your stone? What needs to be rolled out of the way so you can begin to put your trust in another, an indestructible Other?

Here's how one man tells the story.

"They say it takes 28 days or so to shed oneself of a bad habit. I'm 20 days along towards that goal. The desire to do what I've chosen to no longer do has become less compelling, less insidious in its clandestine way of sneaking up on me, trying to overwhelm me with its justifications and rationalizations.

"I committed to no longer feeding it 20 days ago, and while it didn't seem to believe me at first — now, it seems to understand that I really don't want to go there anymore. It still peeks its head into my psyche — not always in the way of a thought, more often in the physical manifestation of the compelling desire to just do it, already — only now, it seems to be less whole-hearted in its attempts. It backs down quicker, seeming to say, 'Oh, yeah — you're not doing that anymore. I don't understand it, but whatever, dude — sorry to have bothered you with this.'

"That said, I know it will probably make a full-court-press, no-holds-barred, last-ditch-effort at getting me to break down and just do it. Bad habits have a way of doing their best to stick around, and not be left behind.

"At least, this one seems to be being a good sport about it. I think it wants me to remember it with fondness. That's just not going to happen. I've seen the damage it's capable of doing, and made a decision that I no longer want those consequences in my life.

"The help has been coming in different ways along with the tools to begin building better habits in its place. Instead of focusing my energy on resisting the lure of the habit, I spend more of it focused on the development of better, healthier, and more sustainable habits.

"Eight more days, and I'll be past the 28 day mark. One day at a time, this habit is slowly receding in the rear-view mirror of my life. *Adios, Amigo.* It's been a hell of a ride — a true HELL of a ride. You won't be missed." Pete Egan B.

Let's pray a big Easter-Prayer for one another—*Dear Jesus, whatever looks "very large" and is in the way of unleashing the power of your Resurrection, may it roll away and give us some awesome Good News to share. Amen.*



PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD your name to the Time and Talent Sheet Ministry, **leading the Rosary before the Saturday or Sunday mass.** Your help is greatly appreciated.

FOOD PANTRY: is looking for a few good men to do some heavy lifting on April 18 and May 16. We also need someone to bring a noon meal to the Food Pantry on these days. If you feel called to volunteer for either job, please call the Parish Office - 228-3164.



APOSTLES MEETING TIMES:
Apr 4, 11, 18 Bible Study
Apr 25 - meal & speakers - Ken & Tammy Votava



KC's scholarship: KC's are offering a scholarship to parishioners who will attend DCB. Info in the back of the church.



GriefShare is a weekly seminar to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help others through difficult days.

Sundays thru May 20, 6-8 p.m. Bottineau Veterans Center Free, no registration required. More information call Warren at 701-220-5042.

BOTTINEAU COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE—WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER, MARY ANN SAVILLE. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME. CALL PAULETTE MARTIN AT 245-6205.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL, a combined effort of our Diocese's 133 parishes in the eastern half of North Dakota, is underway. The God's Gift Appeal provides more than 50% of the annual funding for more than 40 different ministries that provide services throughout the diocese. This appeal is an opportunity for each Catholic household to help further the mission of the Church.

God's Gift Update: St. Mark's goal is \$31,010, amount pledged is \$10,200 for 33% of the total amount. St. Andrew's goal is \$11,374, amount pledged is \$1,657 for 15% of the total amount. Keep up the good work!



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church of Balta

Is hosting a Pancake Breakfast at the Rugby Eagles on Sunday, April 8, 2018 from 9am-1pm. Free will offering. Please come!

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR— QUEEN OF PEACE RETREAT CENTER in Belcourt, ND on April 27-29. Starts Friday at 7pm, runs through Sunday about 3pm. For more info, contact Tracy Azure at (701)278-0084.

Altar Society Meeting, Thursday, April 5, 2018.

Main topic of discussion - St. Mark's Feast Appreciation Meal and festivities and the Rummage Sale. Please come - we welcome your input!

Bowls & Pans seek their owners! If you don't pick them up - they go to the rummage sale!

Easter Memorial Flowers

- Rita Haberman.....Delmar Haberman
- Steve & Lorraine Haberman
- Romeo & Mary Ann Cote
- Pete Artz Family.....Ray & Rita Davis
- Harold & Jean Artz
- Mike & Ann Bergeron.....Mary & Al Pugh
- Bob Pugh
- Bill & Cool Baumann.....Pam Baumann Schmitt
- Alverna Anderson & Family.....Arvid Anderson
- Theresa Awalt.....Lloyd Awalt
- Penny Awalt Bacon
- Don Arends.....Julie Ann Arends
- Rita & Pat Lauer.....all deceased loved ones
- Bev & Keith Jensen Family.....Fred & Eva Selensky
- Melford & Deloras Jensen
- Sheila Monson & Vickie Gangl...all deceased loved ones
- Jeff & Vicki Boehnke.....Bob & Mary Lou Boehnke
- Richard & Lottie Pitzer

St. Andrew's Ministries for April 8th

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	John & Lenny	Trudy Artz	Bryans Family	Saul & Will	Mike & Terry Thompson	Roger & Mike

St. Mark's Ministries for April 7th-8th

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Vickie Gangl Karen Sollin/Jared Nelson	Barb Waagen	Pat & Rita Lauer	Alan Cote & Walt Pasiznyk	Cynthia Kihle/ Marlys Richard	
Sun.	Bread: Marlys Vad Wayne Barbot/Leanna Emmer	Jessica Tagestad	Chris Wilmot Family	Chuck Neubauer/ Chris Wilmot	Bill & Cool Baumann	Carla Eisenzimmer/ Helen Christianson